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ASQUITH RESIGNS IN SENSATIONAL BRITISH CABINET ROW

Hawaii's Most Prosperous Sugar Year is Reviewed By Planters' Head; 1917 Warning

QUALITY OF SUGAR MUST BE RAISED, SAYS BOTTOMLEY

Menace of Deduction, Based on Refining Value, Shows Need for Plantations Improving to a Standard Grade

LESSON OF WAR SHOWS VALUE OF PROTECTION

Great Conflict and Need for National Revenues Factors in Laying Bogey of "Free Sugar," Even Under Democratic Administration

Full recognition of a year of unparalleled prosperity in the sugar industry of the islands and a simultaneous warning that the high tide will recede—that there are lean years to come—are foremost in the address of Retiring President Allen W. T. Bottomley, the feature today of the thirty-sixth annual meeting of the Hawaiian Sugar Planters' Association.

President Bottomley urged the necessity for economy and the development of efficiency in every branch of the raw sugar industry. Perhaps the most important part of his warning is that the Hawaiian plantations must raise the grade of their output.

He spoke of "the necessity for a great improvement being made in the quality of sugars which we are sending to the refiners," and added:

"Though we have long been accustomed to paying more attention to getting as much as possible for our sugar than we have to their quality, I feel sure that different methods must be adopted in the future and that every effort must be made to change Hawaiian sugars from being the least desirable to being one of the most desirable sugars offered to the refiners."

He commented that Hawaii is already at a disadvantage in this respect as compared with Cuba. He had previously explained the necessity for an improvement in Hawaiian quality by saying that unless there is radical improvement from the beginning of the new crop, new contracts with the refiners will only be made subject to a deduction based on refining value.

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LESSON OF WAR EMPHASIZED

"How vital it is for these United States to have a supply of sugar grown and manufactured at home, independent of the sugar supply of the rest of the world, is surely well illustrated by the difficulties which nations of Europe are now experiencing in obtaining their sugar and the prices which they have to pay for it under present conditions. Apart altogether from the question of revenue, the sugar situation today in Europe (which would also exist in this country, were it not for the domestic supply) should surely present to all thinking people the strongest kind of an argument in favor of continuing the present protective duty, without which the beet and cane sugar producers of the United States cannot exist under normal conditions. Aside from arguments such as these, and although the Democratic administration in obtaining their sugar and almost removed it altogether, has been returned to power for another four years, I believe that with the increasing national expenditures and the necessity for retaining and enlarging every source of government revenue, we have no reason—at any rate in the immediate future—to fear a return to a basis of free sugar."

"In addition to the repeal of the free sugar clause so earnestly desired

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Interesting reports presented to the planters' association are published on Page 9 today.

PLANTERS' RETIRING PRESIDENT



ALLEN W. T. BOTTOMLEY

FEATURES OF REPORT OF PRESIDENT BOTTOMLEY

- Year 1916 most fortunate in sugar industry of islands.
- War has shown necessity for developing industries at home, thus proving valid principle of protective tariff.
- No reason to fear free sugar, at least in immediate future.
- Though prosperity rules, lean years are coming. Hawaii should prepare for them.
- Increased cost of labor and materials forecast very heavy increase in cost of marketing Hawaiian sugar in next few years.
- Plantations should exercise efficiency and economy and particularly must raise quality of sugar to meet danger of deduction based on refining value.
- Labor conditions during year generally satisfactory.
- Bonus system principle proved correct; labor shares prosperity of employer.
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SECRETARY MAKES REPORT FOR YEAR

W. O. Smith, the veteran secretary of the planters' association, made his annual report at the opening session of the organization today. His report says:

"The last annual meeting of the association was held in Honolulu in the assembly room of the Honolulu Chamber of Commerce, December 14-17, 1916, at 10 o'clock a. m."

"The president, Mr. J. M. Dowsett, called the meeting to order and a quorum being present, he presented and read his annual address, which was followed by the report of the secretary."

"After the reading of these reports the election of trustees for the ensuing year was held, resulting in the election of Messrs. F. A. Schaefer, E. D. Tenney, E. F. Bishop, F. M. Swamy, J. P. Cooke, Georg Rodiek, J. M. Dowsett, A. W. T. Bottomley and W. O. Smith."

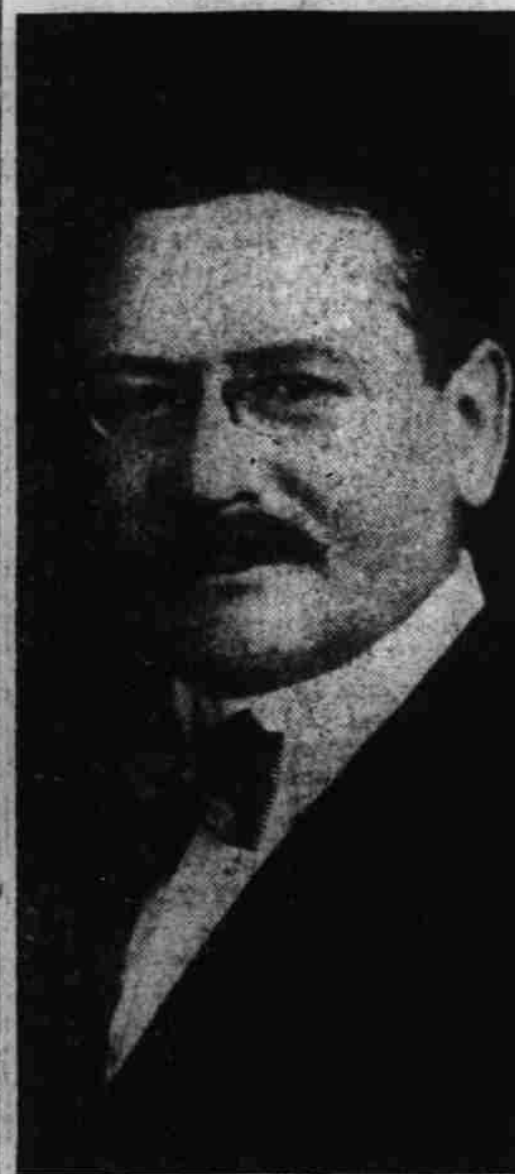
"After naming the standing committees appointed for the past year, Mr. Smith's report continues:

"The sugar crop report for the year prepared by Mr. R. D. Mead, director

OFFICERS FOR YEAR

- President—Georg Rodiek.
- Vice-President—E. D. Tenney.
- Secretary—W. O. Smith.
- Assistant Secretary—L. J. Warren.
- Auditor—J. W. Waldron.
- TRUSTEES FOR YEAR
- F. A. Schaefer.
- A. W. T. Bottomley.
- E. F. Bishop.
- Georg Rodiek.
- E. D. Tenney.
- J. P. Cooke.
- W. O. Smith.
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PLANTERS' HEAD FOR NEXT YEAR



GEORG RODIEK

PLANTERS BEGIN HEARING REPORTS FIRST MORNING

With every plantation represented and an unusual large attendance, the thirty-sixth annual meeting of the Hawaiian Sugar Planters' Association opened this morning at 10 o'clock in the rooms of the Chamber of Commerce with President Allen W. T. Bottomley in the chair.

Following the reading of the reports of President Bottomley and Secretary W. O. Smith, on a motion made by J. T. Moir, the old board of trustees was reelected, with the exception of F. M. Swamy, whose place was taken by E. H. Wodehouse. Mr. Swamy is recovering from a serious illness. A recess was then taken and the trustees chose officers for the ensuing year.

Georg Rodiek, the new president, then took the chair. In accepting the office he said: "I appreciate the honor which has been bestowed upon me, and hope that I shall be able to fill the position satisfactorily. In return I would like the support of all the members of the association."

The business of the meeting being over, the yearly report of the association experiment station was introduced by J. F. C. Hagens, chairman of the committee, and H. P. Agee, director of the station, carried on the discussion. Agee opened the discussion by saying that after striving for three and a half years a natural enemy of the anomala beetle had been found this past summer in the scolia wasp, brought here from the Orient.

F. A. G. Muir, entomologist of the station, said that five different parasites had been introduced, and although the experiments had not been completed, the scolia wasp seemed to give the best results. The anomala beetle, he said, seems to act in outbreaks, not confining itself to one field, and after it had ravaged one crop it did not appear there again for several years, if ever.

The question of the leafhopper parasites was then taken up and O. H. Swazy said that new parasites to aid the old had been turned loose, as it had been found that the outbreaks of the leafhopper were occurring in the high land. The present parasites had been collected from warm climates.

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NEW YORK STOCK MARKET TODAY

Following are the closing prices of stocks on the New York market today, sent by the Associated Press over the Federal Wireless:

	Today,	Yesterday,
Alaska Gold	133 1/4	133 1/4
American Smelter	117 1/4	116 1/4
American Sugar Rfg.	116	116 1/4
American Tel. & Tel.	127 1/2	127 1/2
Anacosta Copper	99 1/2	99 1/2
Atchafalpa	106 1/2	106 1/2
Baldwin Loco.	77 1/2	77 1/2
Baltimore & Ohio	86 1/2	86 1/2
Bethlehem Steel	610	610
Calif. Petroleum	27 1/2	27 1/2
Canadian Pacific	166 1/2	166 1/2
C. & M. St. P. (St. Paul)	94	94 1/2
Colo. Fuel & Iron	57 1/2	57 1/2
Cruzeiro Steel	85 1/2	85 1/2
Ericsson	37 1/2	37 1/2
General Electric	179 1/2	179 1/2
General Motors	117 1/2	117 1/2
Great Northern Pfd.	123 1/2	123 1/2
Inter. Harv. N. J.	57 1/2	57 1/2
Kennecott Copper	83 1/2	83 1/2
Lehigh R. R.	108 1/2	108 1/2
New York Central	57 1/2	57 1/2
Pennsylvania	57 1/2	57 1/2
Ray Consol.	33 1/2	33 1/2
Southern Pacific	100 1/2	100 1/2
Studebaker	119	120 1/2
Tennessee Copper	24 1/2	24 1/2
Texas Oil	205 1/4	204 3/4
Union Pacific	147 1/2	146 3/4
U. S. Steel	126	124 1/2
U. S. Steel Pfd.	121 1/4	121 1/4
Utah	126	125 1/2
Western Union	102 1/2	101 3/4
Westinghouse	63	63 1/2

*Bid. †Ex-dividend. ‡Unquoted.

Shafroth For 6-Year Term

Colorado Senator Introduces Resolution; President Denies Message

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)
WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 5.—Senator John F. Shafroth of Colorado made the first move of the series expected at this session of Congress when he introduced a resolution today calling for a constitutional amendment abolishing the electoral college and limiting presidents to a single term of six years.

This resolution was the feature of the day in the session of the houses separately.

After transacting some business the two houses met jointly in the hall of representatives to listen to the opening message of the president.

When the president appeared he was given an ovation, many Republicans joining the Democrats in the demonstration over his reelection.

William Jennings Bryan and most of the cabinet members were present and led in the applause. The galleries were packed.

As the president began reading his address a banner was unfurled in one of the galleries which said: "What Will You Do for Woman Suffrage?" A page pulled the banner down.

STANDARD OIL'S HEAD IS DEAD

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)
TARRYTOWN, N. Y., Dec. 5.—John Dustin Archbold, president and director of the Standard Oil Company and noted financier in many other branches of business, died here today after an illness of several days. The funeral will be held on Thursday, when every business in Tarrytown will temporarily cease. He leaves a widow, a son and two daughters.

Archbold was born in 1848 and when a young man went to the Pennsylvania oil regions, where by industry and a high degree of business intelligence he forged his way to the top. He had been connected with Standard Oil since 1873.

FORTY THOUSAND STEEL WORKERS' WAGES RAISED

SOUTH BETHLEHEM, Dec. 5.—A wage increase of approximately ten per cent was announced here yesterday by the officials of the Bethlehem Steel Corporation. The increase is to be shared in by all the forty thousand men of the big corporation.

The Ramsay Brothers were returning passengers on the Great Northern on Monday after a pleasant trip of four months' traveling through Canada and California.

Late News At A Glance

GERARD CARRIES NO MESSAGE OF PEACE
NEW YORK, Dec. 5.—German Ambassador Gerard sailed for Berlin today. He said to reporters that he carries no message of peace back to his post.

POPE CONDEMNS AERIAL BOMBARDMENT OF OPEN CITIES
ROME, Italy, Dec. 5.—In an allocution before a secret consistory, Pope Benedict has denounced aerial bombardment of open cities. He condemned those who do such bombing, saying that they defy the laws of God and man in war.

SUPPOSED GERMAN SUBMARINE SHELLS FUNCHAL
NEW YORK, N. Y., Dec. 5.—A cablegram received today by Salinger & Magnus, importers of embroidery, from Funchal, Madeira, said that the Portuguese port was shelled presumably by a German submarine. It said that the firm's offices were damaged to the extent of \$1000.

ITALIAN STEAMER TORPEDOED; AMERICAN DIES
MADRID, Spain, Dec. 5.—The Italian steamer Palermo has been torpedoed. One American died while the vessel's boats were on the way to the nearest point of land on Spain.

NEW YORK, N. Y., Dec. 5.—The Palermo sailed on November 15 for Genoa and Spezia and carried 47 horse-tenders, though no passengers. Her agents here said today that she was armed for defense only.

LONDON, Eng., Dec. 5.—The Norwegian steamers Bossi and Draupner have been sunk in the war zone.

DEATH CALLED 99 IN MONTH OF NOVEMBER
Hilo, Hawaii, Dec. 5.—The American Surety Company, guarantors of the Marshall contract for the completion of the Hilo breakwater job, today cancelled a debt of \$146,000 for Marshall, in taking over his work, arrangements having been completed which end the controversy and miniature war between rival forces. The surety company also assumes liability for further debt to the amount of \$50,000 and will liquidate the same. Marshall gets \$6000 cash. Everything is now settled and work begins again tomorrow.

BREAKWATER ROW SETTLED; MARSHALL YIELDS CLAIM
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UTILITIES BODY ACCEPTS RESIGNATION OF COKE

At a short meeting this afternoon the public utilities commission accepted with regret the resignation of James L. Coke, attorney, expressing appreciation of his services and good wishes for his future as a circuit court judge in the motion of acceptance. The resignation becomes effective December 9, on which date at 10 o'clock Mr. Coke will take oath of office.

MEMBERS OF GOZAN MARU CREW LIBEL SHIP

George Dutler and 14 others, members of the crew of the Japanese steamer Gozan Maru, filed in federal court this afternoon a libel against the vessel and an attachment has been issued against the steamer and its tackle. The crew asks \$1101 alleged back pay, \$537.70 for a month's extra pay and \$2250 for transportation back to Balboa, C. Z. Among other things they allege unsuitable food while on the voyage to Hawaii and claim that seven of them were arrested by the captain for alleged mutiny. A cable received by the retiring master said the owner would pay expense of deportation if notified of the amount. This information was given them, but no money or reply was received up to going to press.

JAMES L. McLEAN DIES SUDDENLY; CITY IS SHOCKED

Vice-President of Inter-Island Company Succumbs to Heart-Failure

James L. McLean, vice-president and acting president of the Inter-Island and Steam Navigation Company, died of heart failure with shocking suddenness about 6 o'clock this morning, while taking his customary early walk on the streets about his home at 1224 South Beretania street.

E. W. Gaylord, of the Hawaiian Dredging Company was the first person to see Mr. McLean's body after the death. Gaylord was coming down town when he made the discovery at Hassinger street, near Pensacola. He immediately notified the police and Motorcycle Officer Sam Ferreira found the body still warm when he arrived.

Deputy Sheriff Asch and Dr. George F. Straub arrived shortly afterwards but too late to be of any assistance. The body was taken home in the emergency hospital ambulance. Mrs. McLean said that her husband had not been feeling well for some time, but went out as usual at about 5:30 this morning for his daily walk. Dr. Straub gives the cause of death as heart failure and Deputy Asch says that probably no inquest will be held or an autopsy performed.

Among Mr. McLean's business friends and acquaintances—and they are countless in this city—his death is ascribed in part to weakened physical condition brought on by severe and unremitting work for several years past. He was a very conscientious man in his many duties with the Inter-Island and the business cares with which he was entrusted gave him no little anxiety.

Recently he had complained, though only at times, of some pains around his heart. Yet his general health seemed so excellent that the news of his death was all the greater shock to those who knew him.

Waterfront Shocked at Death
"Jimmy McLean dead?" It can't be (Continued on page three)

CHICAGO "DIET SQUAD" IS GETTING FAT EATING MEALS, 30 CENTS A DAY

CHICAGO, Ill., Dec. 5.—Experiments with a "diet squad" for two weeks are complete, the squad showing that on a diet costing a little more than 30 cents a day the average gain of the men has been 3.8 pounds each.

LLOYD-GEORGE FORCES HAND BY QUITTING

War Minister Drafts Resignation But Asquith Refuses to Accept It

HUGE WAR LOSSES BY ENTENTE CLAIMED IN BERLIN ANNOUNCEMENT

Nearly Fifteen Million Casualties, is Estimate of Copenhagen Investigators

An Associated Press bulletin received just before the second edition of the Star-Bulletin went to press announced that Premier H. H. Asquith, head of the British ministry, has resigned. Though details are absent, this is evidently a result of the sensational cabinet row which, after months of minor crises, came to a climax when Lloyd-George forced the hand of the premier by drafting his own resignation as minister of war.

London papers evidently believed the crisis had been met and passed without resignations, but the late despatch shows otherwise:

BULLETIN

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)
LONDON, Eng., Dec. 5.—THE RESIGNATION OF PREMIER ASQUITH WAS ANNOUNCED LATE TODAY.

LONDON, Eng., Dec. 5.—The resignation of David Lloyd-George, minister of war in the coalition cabinet, has not been accepted by Premier Asquith. It is reported that Asquith is making an effort to have the Welsh statesman retain the war secretaryship.

The Evening Star in an extra says: "The political crisis is over so far as the trial of strength between Asquith and Lloyd-George goes. Asquith has won. There will be no resignations in the cabinet. The reconstruction of the government will not take place. The failure of the cabinet is due to the refusal of the labor party to support it."

Despite this, later today, the resignation of Asquith was announced.

LONDON, Eng., Dec. 5.—David Lloyd-George, minister of munitions in the British coalition cabinet and one of Britain's foremost statesmen, has decided to resign his office, as a result of the ministerial controversy that has arisen, says announcement by the Exchange Telegraph Agency today.

His resignation was drafted after he had received an intimation that Premier Asquith would not agree to any suggestion that the "war council"—main point at issue—be formed without Asquith at its head.

MILLIONS OF MEN SACRIFICED IN GRIM JAWS OF MIGHTY WAR

BERLIN, Germany, Dec. 5.—The Copenhagen Research Society has just compiled figures showing staggering casualties sustained by the Entente Allies in the war to date.

The estimate places Russian losses at 8,500,000; French at 3,700,000; British at 1,200,000; Italians at 800,000, and those of smaller nations such as Belgium and Serbia at a combined total of 900,000.

RUSSIANS AND RUMANIANS VAINLY STRIVE TO CHECK CENTRAL POWERS' TROOPS

BERLIN, Germany, Dec. 5.—The Russians and Rumanians are making strong efforts today to check the steady progress of the Central Powers in Rumania, but without avail. Renewed Russian attacks have been made in the Carpathian forests and on the Transylvanian, all unsuccessful.

The Teutons have recaptured positions previously lost and are now pursuing the Rumanians before Bucharest, which is only a few miles from the German vanguard.

On the Danube lowlands the number of defenders taken prisoner by the Germans and Bulgarians is increased to 12,500.

PETROGRAD, Russia, Dec. 5.—The Rumanians are unsuccessfully attempting to check the Teutons on route today from Ploesti to Bucharest.

BIDDING LIVELY FOR 10 TERRITORIAL LOTS

Auction land sales totaling \$1400 were made at noon today on the front steps of the Capitol by Land Clerk Walter A. Engle. Leases amounted to a total of \$1365 a year.

Lot 8, near Koko Head, was the highest priced of 10 sales, William A. Hall paying \$950 for it. Lot 33 brought \$450 from K. Matsumura. Bidding was lively and a good sized crowd of bidders and onlookers watched the sale.